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RUEHCR/STATE DEPT WASHDC
RUEKDA/JRC WASHDC
RUEPCR/DIRNSA
RUEPDA/ACSI-DA WASHDC
RUEPIA/CIA WASHDC
RUEPMS/AMS WASHDC
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THIS IS A SITUATION SUMMARY OF DEVELOPMENTS IN SE TIBET FROM 14 MAY TO 24 MAY 1964. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS A COLLATION OF A NUMBER OF HIGHLY RELIABLE SOURCES.

1. SOURCES REPORT A MILITARY CAMP ABOUT 2.5 NM NORTHWEST OF LHASA UNDER CONSTRUCTION WITH 20 BARRACKS, ONE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING UNDER CONSTRUCTION, 3 OTHER BUILDINGS, ABOUT 160 TENTS,

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AND FOUNDATIONS FOR ABOUT 15 MORE BUILDINGS. OTHER SOURCES REPORT A PARTIALLY SECURED AREA ON THE SOUTH EDGE OF LHASA CONTAINS APPROXIMATELY 90 BARRACKS, 200 ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPORT BUILDINGS, AND AN AAA SITE. SIXTY TRUCKS, A CRANE AND 10 OTHER VEHICLES WERE COUNTED IN THE AREA. APPROXIMATELY 7 MILES FURTHER SOUTH THERE IS A FENCED AREA CONTAINING ABOUT 65 BARRACKS, 40 SUPPORT BUILDINGS AND 35 SMALLER BUILDINGS. SOURCES ALSO COUNTED APPROXIMATELY 150 VEHICLES IN THE LARGE MILITARY AREA EXTENDING FROM THE WEST EDGE OF THE CITY. A COMPLEX 2 NM NNE OF LHASA COMPRISING 5 SECURED AREAS WITH ABOUT 150 STORAGE BUILDINGS, 10 OTHER BUILDINGS, NUMEROUS SHEDS AND TENTS, PIECES OF CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT, NUMEROUS PILES OF UNIDENTIFIED MATERIALS IN OPEN STORAGE, AND SOME 250 TRUCKS WAS ALSO REPORTED. A TRAVELER WHO IS USUALLY A RELIABLE SOURCE REPORTS THIRTEEN CARGO TRUCKS AT THE MILITARY INSTALLATION AT 30-08N 090-33E, 38 NM NW OF LHASA.

2. RELIABLE SOURCES REPORT A CAMP AND STORAGE DUMP AT 28-00N 092-01E, 5 NM NE OF TSONA DZONG, ALONG BOTH SIDES OF THE HIGHWAY THERE. ABOUT FORTY TENTS, A POL DRUM STORAGE AREA WITH ABOUT 100 DRUMS AND MATERIAL IN OPEN STORAGE WERE OBSERVED. THESE SAME SOURCES REPORT AN EARLY WARNING RADAR SITE ON THE SOUTH EDGE OF A LAKE, APPROXIMATELY 1.5 NM NORTH OF THE CAMP. THEY DESCRIBED A SCR-270-TYPE RADAR THERE AND COUNTED 9 TENTS, 3 CARGO TRUCKS, AND A GENERATOR VAN. TWO TRUCKS WERE COUNTED IN TSONA DZONG.

3. SOURCES REPORT NUMEROUS TRUCKS SCATTERED THROUGHOUT THE SIX

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MILITARY AREAS WITHIN A 2 NM RADIUS OF ZHIKATSE.

4. A SMALL CAMP WHICH MAY BE MILITARY HAS BEEN REPORTED ABOUT 15 NM SE OF SANGRI AND .5 NM SE OF LHAGYARI CONTAINING 4 BARRACKS, AND 6 SUPPORT BUILDINGS. THE CAMP REPORTEDLY IS SERVED BY A FAIR-WEATHER ROAD.

5. SOURCES REPORT A CAMP CONTAINING SIX TENTS (ONE IN A NEARBY WALLED AREA BESIDE SEVERAL PILES OF MATERIAL) AND SEVERAL BUILDING FOUNDATIONS IMMEDIATELY SOUTH OF TRANGSOTSE.

6. TRAVELERS REPORT OPEN STORAGE AND TENTS AROUND ROAD AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION ON THE EAST AND THE WEST EDGES OF TINGRI DZONG.

7. SEVERAL SOURCES HAVE REPORTED A STORAGE DEPOT, APPROXIMATELY .5 NM SOUTH OF TSETHANG. THE AREA REPORTELY CONTAINS 15 WAREHOUSES, 30 BARRACKS, EIGHT ADMINISTRATION, 10 STORAGE AND APPROXIMATELY 40 OTHER MISCELLANEOUS BUILDINGS. ABOUT 45 TRUCKS WERE COUNTED THROUGHOUT THE AREA. A TWO-LANE ROAD SERVES THE INSTALLATION FROM THE SOUTH AND FROM THE WEST, WITH A SINGLE LANE ROAD CONTINUING EAST.

8. TRAVELERS AND OTHER SOURCES REPORT APPROXIMATELY 15 ROAD CONSTRUCTION CAMPS BETWEEN THE TIBET/NEPAL BORDER AND NIEH-LA-MU CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 350 HUTS/TENTS. SEVEN MAJOR AREAS OF CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY WERE OBSERVED. NORTH OF NIEH-LA-MU FOR APPROXIMATELY 10 NM, 7 CAMPS CONTAING APPROXIMATELY 150 HUTS/TENTS. TWENTY TRUCKS WERE OBSERVED ALONG THE ROUTE. THE ACTIVITY REPORTEDLY CONSISTS OF CULVERT AND SINGLE-SPAN BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION.

9. A SOURCE REPORTS A ROAD BRIDGE UNDER CONSTRUCTION JUST NORTH

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OF TING-JIH OVER THE RO CHHU (RIVER), WITH 3 PIERS IN EARLY STAGES OF CONSTRUCTION.

10. TRAVELERS AND OTHER SOURCES REPORTED THE FOLLOWING CONVOY ACTIVITY DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD; THIRTY TRUCKS APPROXIMATELY 40 NM NW OF LHASA, HEADING SOUTH FROM LHASA AIRFIELD TO LHASA; APPROXIMATELY 40 TRUCKS, ABOUT 5 NM SE OF LUGPAGANG AND 35 NM NW OF LHASA, HEADING SE TOWARD LHASA: FIFTEEN CARGO TRUCKS AT 28-22N 086-07E, 6 NM NE OF TASHIGHONG, HEADING NORTH; TWO CONVOYS WERE REPORTED APPROXIMATELY 12 NM SW OF YALING, BETWEEN TINGRI DZONG AND ZHIKATSE; ONE CONVOY OF 25 TRUCKS WAS OBSERVED HEADING NE; THE OTHER, 8 CARGO TRUCKS, WAS HEADING SE.

11. SOURCES REPORTED NO AIRCRAFT AT HEI-HO AIRFIELD, 13 NM WNW OF HEI-HO. TWO UNIDENTIFIED SMALL AIRCRAFT WERE OBSERVED AT LHASA AIRFIELD, 52 NM NORTH OF LHASA, DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD.

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